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## REMARKS

In response to the requirement for restriction, applicant hereby elects claims 1-4 of Group I. The election is made without traverse.

An early Official Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned attorney to discuss any matter that would expedite allowance of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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